



PATENT
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Yoshihiro NAKAO et al.

Confirmation No.: 5495

Application No.: 10/791,791

Group Art Unit: 1634

Filed: March 4, 2004

Examiner: James Martinell, Ph.D.

Title: SCREENING METHOD FOR GENES OF BREWING YEAST

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Commissioner for Patents

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AMENDMENT & REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

AND STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF AN INTERVIEW

Sir:

In response to the FINAL Office Action mailed August 2, 2007, the period for response to which has been extended up to and including February 4, 2008 (February 2, 2008 is a Saturday), by the accompanying Petition for a three-month Extension of Time. Applicants respectfully request the Office to consider and enter the following amendments and remarks in the above-identified application. A Notice of Appeal is also submitted herewith.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 7.